



(法 8 条、法施行規則第40、41条)
[PCT 18 条、PCT 規則43、44]

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| 国際出願番号 PCT/JP00/01385 | 国際出願日 (日.月.年) 08.03.00 | 優先日 (日.月.年) 08.03.99 |
| 出願人 (氏名又は名称) ソニー株式会社 | | |

国際調査機関が作成したこの国際調査報告を法施行規則第41条 (PCT 18 条) の規定に従い出願人に送付する。
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この国際調査報告は、全部で 3 ページである。

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1. 国際調査報告の基礎

- a. 言語は、下記に示す場合を除くほか、この国際出願がされたものに基づき国際調査を行った。
- ☐ この国際調査機関に提出された国際出願の翻訳文に基づき国際調査を行った。
- b. この国際出願は、ヌクレオチド又はアミノ酸配列を含んでおり、次の配列表に基づき国際調査を行った。
- ☐ この国際出願に含まれる書面による配列表
- ☐ この国際出願と共に提出されたフレキシブルディスクによる配列表
- ☐ 出願後に、この国際調査機関に提出された書面による配列表
- ☐ 出願後に、この国際調査機関に提出されたフレキシブルディスクによる配列表
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2. ☐ 請求の範囲の一部の調査ができない (第 I 欄参照)。

3. ☐ 発明の単一性が欠如している (第 II 欄参照)。

4. 発明の名称は ☒ 出願人が提出したものを承認する。
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☒ 出願人は図を示さなかった。
☐ 本図は発明の特徴を一層よく表している。

A. 発明の属する分野の分類 (国際特許分類 (IPC))

Int. Cl. 7 H04N 5/76 ,
H04N 5/44 ,
H04N 7/08

B. 調査を行った分野

調査を行った最小限資料 (国際特許分類 (IPC))

Int. Cl. 7 H04N 5/76- 5/937 ,
H04N 5/44- 5/45 ,
H04N 7/08- 7/15

最小限資料以外の資料で調査を行った分野に含まれるもの

日本国実用新案公報 1922-1996年,
日本国公開実用新案公報 1971-2000年,
日本国登録実用新案公報 1994-2000年,
日本国実用新案登録公報 1996-2000年

国際調査で使用した電子データベース (データベースの名称、調査に使用した用語)

C. 関連すると認められる文献

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| | JP, 10-243348, A (松下電器産業株式会社) 11. 9月. 1998 (11. 09. 98) (ファミリー無し) | |
| Y | 段落番号【0024】、【0044】-【0046】、図面【図1】 | 1, 3-10 |
| A | 段落番号【0024】、【0044】-【0046】、図面【図1】 ----- | 2 |

☒ C欄の続きにも文献が列挙されている。

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「&」 同一パテントファミリー文献

国際調査を完了した日

25. 05. 00

国際調査報告の発送日

06.06.00

国際調査機関の名称及びあて先

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| Y A | JP, 9-154092, A (日本ビクター株式会社) 10. 6月. 1997 (10. 06. 97) (ファミリー無し) 段落番号【0030】, 図面【図5】 | 1, 3-10 |
| | 段落番号【0030】, 図面【図5】 ----- JP, 6-245157, A (三菱電機株式会社) 02. 9月. 1993 (02. 09. 93) (ファミリー無し) 段落番号【0023】, 図面【図2】 | 2 |
| Y | 段落番号【0023】, 図面【図2】 | 3 |
| A | 段落番号【0030】, 図面【図2】 | 1-2, 4-10 |

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REQUEST

The undersigned requests that the present international application be processed according to the Patent Cooperation Treaty.

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(if desired) (12 characters maximum) S00P0283WO00

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- ☐ **OA** **OAPI Patent:** BF Burkina Faso, BJ Benin, CF Central African Republic, CG Congo, CI Côte d'Ivoire, CM Cameroon, GA Gabon, GN Guinea, GW Guinea-Bissau, ML Mali, MR Mauritania, NE Niger, SN Senegal, TD Chad, TG Togo, and any other State which is a member State of OAPI and a Contracting State of the PCT (if other kind of protection or treatment desired, specify on dotted line)

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